

Late goal draw

Wycombe Wanderers 1, Wimbledon 1

WYCOMBE Wanderers went within three minutes of a prestige win in their friendly with old rivals Wimbledon at Loakes Park on Tuesday evening.

A goal by Viv Busby, who must rank as the 'forward' of the match, mid-way through the second period, climaxed a rampant ten minute burst of attacking power from the Wanderers.

But Wimbledon's lively centre forward, Eddie Bailham equalised after 87 minutes, to return the game to its status quo.

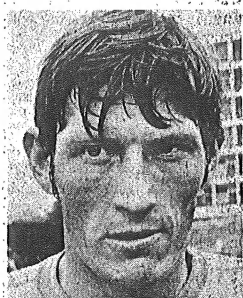
Quick, probing attacks from either side to test their opposing defence, dominated a tactical evening.

But more important, it showed Wanderers better able to last the pace of a full 90 minutes, and once again showed centre half John Delaney as a focal point around which Brian Lee can base his team.

Lee used 13 men during the evening, replacing Samuels with Slater, and Delaney, who was suffering some stomach trouble, with Falkner.

Included in the Wimbledon side, was one time Wycombe favourite, Paul Hodges, who, though only playing during the first half, kept his shadow back, Lou Temel on his toes, and beat him several times in combat.

Wycombe: Maskell, Temel, Gale, Rundle, Delaney (Falkner), Hatt, Worley, Baker, Samuels (Slater), Horseman, Busby.



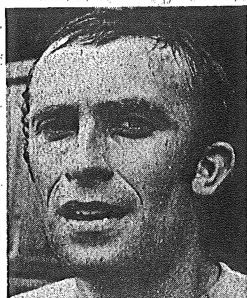
JOHN DELANEY



BOBBY HATT



GEOFF ANTHONY



KEN WARD

The four new players that Manager Lee has introduced in the friendlies.

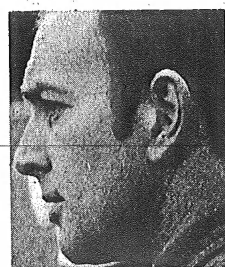
Delaney has already shown what a force he is. He is a first-class centre-half and with Rundle should form a solid partnership in the middle.

Hatt has looked slightly clumsy and not up to his usual Slough standard but this is sure to improve.

Anthony could be what Wycombe have needed since the departure of Hodges. He is a tricky player who is capable of doing what Lenny does on the other flank.

Ward. He too looked clumsy on

his first outing, but is a strong player and could be a useful capture.



Manager Brian Lee. Since he took over at the beginning of the year, he has changed the whole set-up at Wycombe. He runs the team on a professional basis and with his new players could really put Wycombe back on the football map.